- 1. A transdermal drug delivery system comprising:
  - an active drug formulation contained within a transdermal patch, said active drug formulation comprising an abusable drug that is systemically administered to a user;
- a deterrent agent also contained within said transdermal patch, said deterrent agent being co-extracted with said active drug formulation upon introduction of said system to an extraction solution; and means for preventing the delivery of said deterrent agent into human skin when said active drug formulation is applied on skin.

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- 2. The transdermal drug delivery system of claim 1, wherein said abusable drug is a narcotic agent.
- 3. The transdermal drug delivery system of claim 1, wherein said abusable drug is fentanyl.
- 4. The transdermal drug delivery system of claim 1, wherein said deterrent agent is selected from the group consisting of irritating agents, central nervous system effecting agents, gastrointestinal system effecting agents, cardiac effecting agents, respiratory system effecting agents, bowel effecting agents, palate effecting agents, sleep inducing agents, and smell effecting agents.

- 5. The transdermal drug delivery system of claim 1, wherein said abusable drug has the potential to be abused by inhalation.
- 6. The transdermal drug delivery system of claim 1, wherein said abusable drug has the potential to be abused by injection.e transdermal drug delivery system of claim 1, wherein said abusable drug has the potential to be abused by snortingl drug delivery system of claim 1, wherein said abusable drug has the potential to be abused by ingestion.

7. A transdermal drug delivery system comprising:

an active drug formulation comprising an abusable drug, said active drug

formulation being coated on one side of a backing film; and
a deterrent formulation, said deterrent formulation being coated on the other side
of said backing film.

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8. A transdermal drug delivery system comprising:
a deterrent formulation coated on one side of a backing film; and
an active drug formulation coated on top of said deterrent formulation, said active
drug formulation comprising an abusable drug.

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- 9. The transdermal drug delivery system of claim 7, wherein said abusable drug is a narcotic agent.
- The transdermal drug delivery system of claim 7, wherein said abusable drug isfentanyl.
  - 11. The transdermal drug delivery system of claim 7, wherein said deterrent agent is selected from the group consisting of irritating agents, central nervous system effecting agents, gastrointestinal system effecting agents, cardiac effecting agents, respiratory system effecting agents, bowel effecting agents, palate effecting agents, sleep inducing agents, and smell effecting agents.
  - 12. The transdermal drug delivery system of claim 7, further comprising a separating film separating said active drug formulation from said deterrent agent.

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- 13. A transdermal drug delivery system comprising:
  - a carrier medium;
  - a drug formulation contained within said carrier medium and comprising an abusable drug; and
- 5 a microencapsulated deterrent agent also contained within said carrier medium;
  - 14. The transdermal drug delivery system of claim 13, wherein said abusable drug is a narcotic agent.
- 10 15. The transdermal drug delivery system of claim 13, wherein said abusable drug is fentanyl.
- The transdermal drug delivery system of claim 15, wherein said deterrent agent is selected from the group consisting of irritating agents, central nervous system
   effecting agents, gastrointestinal system effecting agents, cardiac effecting agents, respiratory system effecting agents, bowel effecting agents, palate effecting agents, sleep inducing agents, and smell effecting agents
- 17. The transdermal drug delivery system of claim 13, wherein the deterrent is an emetic.